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Sir:

Further to the Request for Return of Form PTO-1449 filed March 24, 2004, the undersigned attorney requests that the Examiner returns a copy of the Form PTO-1449 filed on February 23, 2004. A copy of this Information Disclosure Statements is attached.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner return a copy of the Form PTO-1449 which accompanies the Information Disclosure Statement, marked to indicate that the reference listed therein has been considered by the Office.

The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should he have any questions concerning this Request.

Respectfully submitted,

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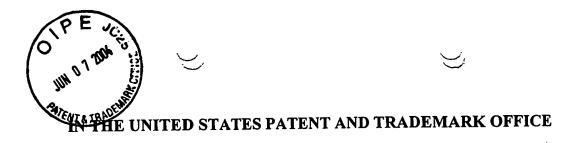
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Sir:

The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. One copy of each of these documents is attached.

The Documents AF and AG are discussed respectively in the specification of the present application.

No fee or certification is required in connection with this Information Disclosure Statement, since it is being submitted prior to the issuance of a first official action on the merits or expiration of the three month period following the filing date (or the entry of the national stage) of the above-captioned application.

The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this



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application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-2866 for any fee which is deemed by the Patent and Trademark Office to be required to effect consideration of this statement.

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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the papers filed as indicated in connection with the above-identified case.

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